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(*f*) Gangs are only taken out, under supervision, and the taking of them is only resorted to on the few occasions when work is not available for every one near the settlement. The Government are not aware that this causes any trouble to the ryots.

*Muhammadans in the Police Department, Guntūr.*

370 *Q.*—Khan Sahib Munshi MUHAMMAD ABDUR RAHMAN SAHIB: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state the number of appointments given to Muhammadans in the district of Guntūr carrying a salary of Rs. 60 and upwards in the Police Department in the years 1921 and 1922 as compared with non-Muhammadans, including Brahmans, non-Brahmans and Christians?

*A.*—The hon. Member will be referred to Appendix F of the Police Administration Report of 1920 in which the last quinquennial return of castes in the Police Department was issued. Information regarding succeeding years will be contained in the returns published under G.O. No. 658, Public, dated the 15th August 1922.

*Grant of disafforested lands to depressed classes.*

371 *Q.*—Khan Sahib Munshi MUHAMMAD ABDUR RAHMAN SAHIB: Will the hon. the Home Member and the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased—

(i) to lay on the table a statement showing the extent of disafforested reserve lands granted to the depressed classes in the Guntūr district in 1922; and

(ii) to state (*a*) what sort of persons come under the depressed classes; and (*b*) what is the principle laid in allotting these lands?

*A.*—(i) The following statement gives the information:—

| Name of the taluk. | Name of the reserve. | Extent assigned. |
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| | | ACS. |
| Tenali | Kolkalur reserve | 73·38 |
| Guntūr | Kuragallu reserve | 302·76 |
| Vinukonda | Guttikonda extension Nos. 7 and 9. | 20·00 |
| Palnad | Janapad reserve | 87·00 |
| Do. | Mandadi reserve (block 1). | 24·00 |
| Do. | Mutukur extension No. 4. | 3·00 |
| Do. | Goli extension I | 30·00 |
| | Total | 540·14 |

*N.B.*—Besides the above extent of 540 acres 14 cents formally assigned to the depressed classes in this year up to now, several large areas recently disafforested especially in Palnad and Vinukonda taluks have been permitted to be occupied by them on sivayijama at five acres each and formal assignments will be made after subdivision of the areas for which a special staff of some revenue inspectors and peons has just been sanctioned. An extent of 300 acres in Lam reserve of Guntūr taluk has also been proposed for grant to the Anglo-Evangelical Lutheran Mission for an industrial school and a settlement for the depressed classes, and pending orders 200 acres of this are under temporary cultivation by depressed classes.